who shall have resided in the taxable limits of said village for and during the space of six months preceding shall elect by Election of Village Co ballot on the second Monday of April in each and every missioners. year, at the usual place of holding elections in said village, five Commissioners, one of whom shall be designated by the voters as president, who shall have resided within the taxable limits of said village one year next preceding the election; the Commissioners shall enter upon the discharge of their duties within ten days after their election.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1904.

## CHAPTER 279.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County to enter into an agreement with the proper authorities of Loudon County in the State of Virginia, in the purchase of the Berlin and Lovettsville Bridge over the Potomac river, and to provide a fund for the payment thereof as a free bridge for the use and benefit of the people of the States of Maryland and Virginia.

WHEREAS, In pursuance of an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January Session in the year of Berlin and 1890, Chapter 616, and the Act of the General Assembly of Bridge Com-Virginia, passed at the session of 1889-1890, approved February 3, 1890, the Berlin and Lovettsville Bridge Company, a body corporate, duly incorporated by the Acts aforesaid, and consolidated by the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its January Session in the year 1894, Chapter 324, did construct across and over the Potomac river from Berlin (now Brunswick) in Frederick County, Maryland, to a point in Loudon County, in the State of Virginia, a bridge for the use of vehicles, horses and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS. The said Berlin and Lovettsville Bridge Company has, in pursuance of the powers and authority given and Issued capital granted by said Acts of Assembly, issued capital stock of said corporation to the amount of thirty thousand dollars, and mortgage bonds to the amount of thirty-two thousand dollars, bearing five per cent. interest per annum, which sums of money were used and expended in the purchase of the necessary rights